

2960.3330 TREATMENT FOSTER CARE TRAINING.

Subpart 1. **Initial training required.** Each treatment foster parent must complete the training requirements in items A and B.

A. The treatment foster care social worker, in partnership with the treatment foster parents, shall write a professional development plan for the treatment foster parent which is based on the training needs of the treatment parents and the child's individual treatment plan requirements.

B. Each treatment foster care parent must complete 30 hours of primary skill development training prior to accepting a treatment foster care placement. The content of this training must be about at least the following topics: grief and loss, attachment, behavioral intervention, child development, discipline, dynamics of child abuse, children's mental health, substance abuse, cultural competency, treatment plan development and documentation, relationship building with primary families, and the role of medication in treatment.

Subp. 2. **Annual training required.** Each treatment foster parent must complete 18 hours of annual training.

A. Annual training must be competency-based and emphasize skill development needed by the foster parent to care for the individual child placed in the home.

B. The training may be in various formats, including in-home training provided by treatment professionals, group presentations, or in-service training approved by the placing or licensing agency.

Subp. 3. **Exemption.** Foster parents who provide treatment foster care and meet the training requirements of this part are exempt from the training requirements of parts 2960.3070 and 2960.3210.

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